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SUBJ: USSR AND INTERNAL EVENTS IN FRANCE

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1. WE HAVE LITTLE DOUBT THAT THE SOVIET VIEW OF RELATIONS WITH FRANCE IS AFFECTED BY LESS COMPATIBLE FRENCH POSITIONS ON EUROPEAN QUESTIONS AND BY A MORE ADVENTURE-SOME FRENCH APPROACH TO CHINA. WE SUSPECT THAT THE POMPIDOU VISIT TO PEKING, FOR ALL THE FRENCH EFFORT TO AVOID OFFENSE TO MOSCOW, PARTICULARLY IRRITATED THE SOVIETS, AND BREZHNEV'S SEPTEMBER 24 REFERENCE TO POLITICIANS WHO SEEK TO PROFIT FROM SOVIET-CHINESE FRICTIONS MAY HAVE BEEN POINTED PARTLY AT THE FRENCH.

2. DESPITE THESE GROWING FOREIGN POLICY PROBLEMS, WE SHARE EMBASSY PARIS' DOUBTS THAT THE SOVIETS WOULD FEEL VERY COMFORTABLE ABOUT COMMUNIST-LED ANTI-GOVERNMENT DISRUPTIONS IN FRANCE. SOVIET DETENTE POLICY IN ESTERN EUROPE DEPENDS ON IMPROVEMENT IN RELATIONS WITH THE MAJOR WE GOVERNMENTS, AND WE DOUBT THAT MOSCOW WOULD LIKE TO SEE ITS RELATIONS WITH FRANCE CALLED INTO QUESTION BY AN INTERNAL FRENCH CRISIS WHICH SQUARELY PRESENTED IT WITH THE DILEMMA OF WHOM TO SUPPORT.

3. WE ALSO AGREE WITH EMBASSY PARIS, HOWEVER, THAT  
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THE SOVIETS ARE UNLIKELY TO HAVE DECISIVE LEVERAGE OVER THE PCF IF IT DESIRES FOR ITS OWN REASONS TO LAUNCH A PROGRAM OF AGITATION.  
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